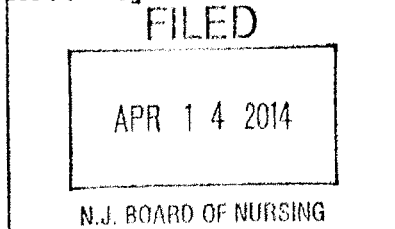
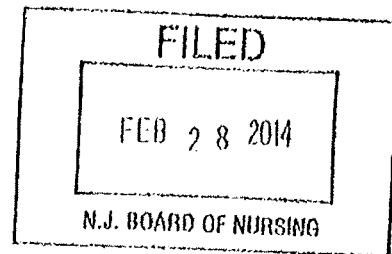


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
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IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR  
REVOCATION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF

Sha'Driin M. Brunson, C.H.H.A.  
Certificate No.: 26NH12827100

TO PRACTICE AS A CERTIFITED  
HOMEMAKER HOME HEALTH AIDE  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**

**PROVISIONAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE**

Finalized by Default on: 04/14/14

**FINAL**

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Sha'Driin Brunson, ("Respondent") is the holder of Homemaker Health Aid Certificate 26NH12827100 in the State of New Jersey. (See L2k printout annexed hereto as **Exhibit A**).

2. On or about October 15, 2012, the Board received notice from Bayada Home Health Care in Cherry Hill, indicating that police officers had notified Bayada that one of its CHHA's had been using a patient's credit cards for unauthorized purchases in the amount of \$4,104.72. (See letter from Bayada, **Exhibit B**).

3. The police report reflects that on October 9, 2012, a police officer spoke with Respondent regarding the stolen credit cards. Respondent first denied having knowledge of the stolen credit cards but when told that the credit cards purchases matched her Facebook locations, Respondent confessed, stating that she knew the credit cards belong to the victim and she had used the credit cards on multiple occasions for purchases. (See Cherry Hill Township Police Report, **Exhibit C**).

5. On or about November 29, 2012, Respondent was granted PTI and ordered to pay the victim restitution in the amount of \$4,104.72, 50 hours of community services, and pay the court fees and costs. (See PTI Supervision, **Exhibit D**).

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Respondent's admissions to fraudulent use of a patient's credit cards constitute preliminary grounds to take disciplinary action against the Respondent's certification to practice as a certified homemaker-home health aide in New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b), (e), and (f), in that Respondent

has engaged in the use of dishonesty, fraud, deception, misrepresentation, false promise or false pretense, has engaged in professional or occupational misconduct, and has engaged in acts constituting a crime relating adversely to the activity regulated by the Board.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014,

ORDERED that:

1. Respondent's certification to practice as a homemaker-home health aide is provisionally suspended for a minimum of five (5) years.

2. Respondent shall provisionally pay a penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00, via certified check or money order payable to the State of New Jersey, delivered to George Hebert, Executive Director, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey, 07101. Payment shall be made no later than 15 days after notice of the entry of any Final Order, is served in this matter, including any Order which is finalized by default. In the event Respondent fails to make a timely payment, a certificate of debt shall be filed in accordance with N.J.S.A. 45:1-24 and the Board may bring such other proceedings as authorized by law.

4. Prior to Board consideration of any application of Respondent's certification to practice as a CHHA,

respondent shall provide documentation showing full compliance with the terms of any criminal sentencing that has resulted from the charges detailed above.

5. Prior to Board consideration of any request for reinstatement of her certification, Respondent shall appear before the Board to provide evidence of rehabilitation to the satisfaction of the Board, and to show competency to reenter practice as a homemaker-home health aide, including completion of a homemaker home health aide training course as described in Board regulations.

6. Respondent shall provisionally refrain from engaging in the practice of homemaker-home health aide and shall not represent herself as a certified homemaker-home health aide until such time as her certification is reinstated. Any practice in this State prior to such reinstatement shall constitute grounds for a charge of unlicensed practice.

7. Respondent may request a modification or dismissal of the above stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law within 30 days of the date this Provisional Order is filed by:

- a) Submitting a written request for modification or dismissal to George Hebert, Executive Director, Board

of Nursing, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

b) Setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed.

c) Submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting Respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefore or offered in mitigation of penalty.

8. Any submissions will be reviewed by the Board and the Board will thereafter determine whether further proceedings are necessary. If no material discrepancies are raised through a supplemental submission during the thirty-day period, or if the Board is not persuaded that the submitted materials merit further consideration, a Final Order will be entered.

9. In the event that Respondent's submissions establish a need for further proceedings, including, but not limited to an evidentiary hearing, Respondent shall be notified with regard thereto. In the event that an evidentiary hearing is ordered, the preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law contained herein may serve as notice of the factual and legal allegations in such

proceeding. Further, in the event a hearing is held and upon review of the record, the Board shall not be limited to the findings, conclusions and sanctions stated herein.

10. In the event that the Board receives no written request for modification or dismissal within 30 days following entry of this Provisional Order, without further Board review, all referenced preliminary Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and all provisional sanctions or penalties imposed by this Order shall automatically become the Final Decision and Order of the Board. Thereafter, Respondent's failure to comply with any sanction or penalty imposed by this Order shall be considered a violation of a Board Order in contravention of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (e) and (h) and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4 and may subject Respondent to additional sanction and/or penalty.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: \_\_\_\_\_



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